

Brigadier General Ross E. Ridge

Assistant Commandant, U.S. Army Field Artillery School

Brigadier General Ross E. Ridge was commissioned in the Field Artillery after graduating from the Indiana University ROTC program in 1980. His company grade assignments include serving in the 1st Bn, 36th FA, 17th FA Bde at Augsburg, Germany; the 2nd Bn, 320th FA and HHC 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and within Operations Group at the U.S. Army National Training Center at Fort Irwin, California.

After graduating from the Command and General Staff College, Brigadier General Ridge was assigned to the 25th ID at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii and later deployed with the 2nd Bde, 25th ID to Port-au-Prince, Haiti in support of OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY in 1994. Upon redeployment, Brigadier General Ridge served as the XO for 1st Bn, 8th FA. He later served a joint tour with Joint Interagency Task Force-West in Bangkok, Thailand. From 1998 until 2000, he commanded the 2nd Bn, 8th FA, 25th ID at Fort Lewis, Washington. After command, he remained at Fort Lewis and served on the TRADOC transformation team that focused on the development of the Stryker Brigade Command Team. After graduating from the Army War College, Brigadier General Ridge served as the Deputy Commander, Operations Group, at Fort Irwin, California. From 2003 until 2005, he commanded the Division Artillery and later served as the 2nd ID Chief of Staff. He remained in Korea and served as the Executive Officer to the Commander, UN Command, Combined Forces Command, US Forces-Korea. Prior to assuming the duties as the Assistant Commandant, United States Army Field Artillery School, Brigadier General Ridge



deployed to Iraq in 2007 and served as the Chief of Staff, Strategic Effects Directorate, Multi-National Force-Iraq.

Brigadier General Ridge holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Indiana University, a Master of Science degree in Administration from Central Michigan University and a Master of Arts degree in Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College. He has attended a variety of military schools, culminating with his graduation from the United States Army War College in 2002.

He is married to the former Alice Eileen Erskine of Portland, Connecticut and they have three children: Katherine Bruner, Christina Ridge and Captain Matthew Ridge who is currently assigned to the 4th ID in Iraq.